#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

# Project Staff Report Tax-Exempt Bond Project October 16, 2013

Project Number CA-13-872

**Project Name** Eden House Apartments

Site Address: 1601 165th Ave.

San Leandro, CA 94578 County: Alameda

Census Tract: 4339.000

Tax Credit AmountsFederal/AnnualState/TotalRequested:\$651,723\$0Recommended:\$651,723\$0

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: Eden House, L.P. Contact: Stephan Daues

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General Partner(s) or Principal Owner(s): Mercy Housing Calwest

General Partner Type: Nonprofit

Parent Company(ies): Mercy Housing California
Developer: Mercy Housing California

Investor/Consultant: California Housing Partnership Corporation

Management Agent: Mercy Housing Management Group

**Project Information** 

Construction Type: Acquisition & Rehabilitation

Total # Residential Buildings: 15 Total # of Units: 116

No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 113 100.00% Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60% Federal Subsidy: Tax-Exempt

HCD MHP Funding: No 55-Year Use/Affordability: Yes

Number of Units @ or below 50% of area median income: 46 Number of Units @ or below 60% of area median income: 67

# **Bond Information**

Issuer: California Municipal Finance Authority

Expected Date of Issuance: December 1, 2013

Credit Enhancement: N/A

# **Information**

Housing Type: Non-Targeted

Geographic Area: North and East Bay Region

TCAC Project Analyst: Connie Harina

# **Unit Mix**

10 1-Bedroom Units

72 2-Bedroom Units

22 3-Bedroom Units

12 4-Bedroom Units

116 Total Units

_ Uni	t Type & Number	2013 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income	2013 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income	Proposed Rent (including utilities)
4	1 Bedroom	50%	40%	\$669
12	2 Bedrooms	50%	40%	\$802
16	2 Bedrooms	50%	45%	\$903
4	3 Bedrooms	50%	40%	\$928
5	3 Bedrooms	50%	45%	\$1,044
2	4 Bedrooms	50%	40%	\$1,034
2	4 Bedrooms	50%	45%	\$1,164
1	4 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$1,293
1	1 Bedroom	60%	40%	\$669
4	1 Bedroom	60%	45%	\$752
8	2 Bedrooms	60%	45%	\$903
34	2 Bedrooms	60%	50%	\$1,003
1	3 Bedrooms	60%	45%	\$1,044
12	3 Bedrooms	60%	50%	\$1,160
7	4 Bedrooms	60%	50%	\$1,293
1	1 Bedroom	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0
2	2 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

# **Project Financing**

### Residential

Estimated Total Project Cost:	\$22,219,853	Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$45
Estimated Residential Project Cost:	\$22,219,853	Per Unit Cost:	\$191,550

# **Construction Financing**

# **Permanent Financing**

Source	Amount	Source	Amount
US Bank	\$12,310,000	US Bank	\$3,566,000
Seller Carryback Loan	\$7,409,768	General Partner Loan	\$3,750,000
Accrued/Deferred Interest	\$345,789	Seller Carryback Loan	\$7,409,768
Existing Reserves	\$263,396	Accrued/Deferred Interest	\$345,789
Deferred Developer Fee	\$164,221	Existing Reserves	\$263,396
Tax Credit Equity	\$559,757	Construction Period Income	\$178,106
		Deferred Developer Fee	\$164,221
		Tax Credit Equity	\$6,542,573
		TOTAL	\$22,219,853

### **Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis (R	\$7,891,518	
130% High Cost Adjustmen	Yes	
Requested Eligible Basis (A	\$10,107,367	
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%	
Qualified Basis (Rehabilitat	\$10,258,973	
Applicable Rate:	3.20%	
Qualified Basis (Acquisition	\$10,107,367	
Applicable Rate:	3.20%	
Maximum Annual Federal (	\$328,287	
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Acquisition: \$323,4		
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit: \$651,72		
Approved Developer Fee in	\$1,510,632	
Approved Developer Fee in Eligible Basis: \$1,510,631		
Investor/Consultant:	California Housing Pa	rtnership Corporation
Federal Tax Credit Factor: \$1.003		

Per Regulation Section 10322(i)(4)(A), The "as if vacant" land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, will be used during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits.

Per Regulation Section 10327(c)(2)(C), Once established at the initial funded application, the developer fee cannot be increased, but may be decreased, in the event of a modification in basis.

#### **Eligible Basis and Basis Limit**

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis: \$17,998,885 Actual Eligible Basis: \$17,998,885 Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$38,170,848 Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$53,439,187

### **Adjustments to Basis Limit:**

55-Year Use/Affordability Restriction – 1% for Each 1% of Low-Income Units are Income Targeted between 50% AMI & 36% AMI: 40%

#### **Cost Analysis and Line Item Review**

Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations. Annual operating expenses exceed the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations, and the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one. Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 3.20% of the qualified basis. Applicants are cautioned to consider the expected federal rate when negotiating with investors. TCAC's financial evaluation at project completion will determine the final allocation.

#### Special Issues/Other Significant Information: None

# **Local Reviewing Agency:**

The Local Reviewing Agency, the County of Alameda Community Development Agency, has completed a site review of this project and strongly supports this project.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Committee make a preliminary reservation of tax credits in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal Tax Credits/Annual State Tax Credits/Total \$651,723 \$0

### **Standard Conditions**

If applicant is receiving tax-exempt bond financing from other than CalHFA, the applicant shall apply for a bond allocation from the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee's next scheduled meeting, if not previously granted an allocation; shall have received an allocation from CDLAC; and, shall issue bonds within time limits specified by CDLAC.

The applicant anticipates financing more than 50% of the project aggregate basis with tax-exempt bond proceeds as calculated by the project tax professional. Therefore, the federal credit reserved for this project will not count against the annual ceiling.

The IRS has advised TCAC that the amount of tax-exempt bonds issued, equivalent to at least 50% of aggregate basis, must remain in place through the first year of the credit period or until eligible basis is finally determined.

TCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a reservation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

**Additional Conditions:** The applicant/owner is required to provide the tenants with the following service amenities free of charge for a minimum of ten (10) years in accordance with the bond allocation from CDLAC. These services may be changed to meet the needs of the tenants upon prior approval from CDLAC and written notification to TCAC:

• Contract with a full time equivalent bona fide service coordinator / social worker for a minimum number of hours per year on-site